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DRUG & BOOK STORE, GETTYSBURG, P. A.

The Subscriber tenders his acknowledgments to the public for the liberal and steady patronage with which he has been favored for a series of years...

DRUGS & MEDICINES, PAINTS, VARNISH, DYE-STUFFS and every variety of articles usually found in a drug store...

Blind Books and Stationery of all kinds, GOLD PENS, Pencils, Visiting and Printing Cards, Card Cases, Inkstands, &c. &c.

Arrangements have been made by which anything not included in his assortment will be promptly ordered from the Cities.

S. H. BUEHLER. Gettysburg, Oct. 22, 1846. I have at present on hand an excellent assortment of BIBLES, plain and fancy, for school and family use...

VALUABLE MILL PROPERTY FOR RENT. THE Subscriber, Executrix of HENRY MYERS, deceased, and testamentary Guardian of his minor children, offers for RENT from the 1st day of April next...

Virginia Mills. They are situated in Hamilton township, Adams county, 1 1/2 miles from Fairfield...

SHERIFF'S SALES. In pursuance of a writ of Iudicium Venditionis, and a writ of Testatum Venditionis, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Adams county...

A Tract of Land, situate in Hamilton and Liberty townships, Adams county, Pa., containing 200 ACRES...

Dwelling House, (part log and part stone), a BRICK STABLE, with two pair of Burs and one pair of Country Stones...

A Tract of Mountain Land, situate in Franklin township, Adams county, containing 120 Acres, more or less...

A Tract of Mountain Land, situate in Menallen township, Adams county, adjoining lands of Joseph Taylor, Nicholas Bear and others...

A Tract of Land, situate in Menallen township, Adams county, adjoining lands of Joseph Taylor, Nicholas Bear and others, containing 93 1/2 Acres...

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A HOUSE AND LOT IN PETERSBURG, (Y. S.) AT PUBLIC SALE.

On Saturday the 18th of December, at 12 o'clock, M., on the premises, I WILL sell my HOUSE and LOT, situate in Petersburg, (Y. S.)...

VALUABLE STORE HOUSE AT PUBLIC SALE. NOW there is a rare chance for Merchants to get one of the most valuable situations for business in the State...

DRY GOODS. which he will sell off at wholesale or retail, at reduced prices and great bargains.

NOTICE. I AM going to Schuylkill county to commence the Coal Mining business. I want money, and give notice to all persons indebted to me...

REGISTERED NOTICE. NOTICE is hereby given to all Legatees and other persons concerned, that the ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNTS of the deceased persons hereinafter mentioned will be presented at the Orphans' Court of Adams county...

SCHOOL BOOKS AND STATIONERY, of all kinds, constantly on hand and for sale, at the lowest prices...

YORK SPRINGS SEMINARY FOR FEMALES. This School is located in a healthy part of the country, within 4 of a mile of York Springs...

From the People's Journal, HOLY LAND. BY HARRIET MARTINEAU. VI. THE JORDAN AND DEAD SEA.

This day, (Jan 6th,) we were to visit the Jordan and Dead Sea. In the early morning, about five o'clock, I ascended a steep mound near our encampment...

The strip of woodland in the middle of the plain looked black in contrast with the bright yellow precipices of Quarantania on the west. Southwards, the Dead Sea stretched into the land, grey and clear...

Costigan was a young Irishman, whose mind was possessed with the idea of exploring the Dead Sea, and giving the world the benefit of his discoveries. It would have been a useful service; and he had real and devotedness enough for it...

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From the National Intelligencer. SECOND DESPACHES FROM MAJOR DOWNING. Headquarters, Mexico, new addition to the United States, October 25, 1847.

Mr. GALE & SEATON: My dear old friends, General Scott and I find a good deal of bother about getting our despatches through, or you'll hear from me often. I clearing out this road from here to Vera Cruz and keeping it open, and introducing the improvements into the country that we stand so much in need of here.

Here we've been, week and weeks since we annexed the city of Mexico, waiting and holding on for the President to sign us more men and more money, and tell us what to do next.

They also found their hair and skin powdered with salt when dry. But they could not admit the greasiness or stickiness, which is said to adhere to the skin after bathing in the Dead Sea.

They would amount to salt marshes and brakes, in and out of the desolate shores of this sea; this sea, which is not the least as fresh as any other.

Way we went; I never see a ship sail faster. The wind began to blow harder and harder, and then it came on an awful storm, and at last it blew a perfect hur-

rycane. The sails began to go to tatters, and she rolled as if she was going to upset. Some of the oldest and best sailors among the crew told the captain we should all go to destruction if he didn't take in sail, and furl and clew up, and get things tight, and bring her head round to the wind.

It is in great spirits, and says he's no doubt he shall be elected. He goes for annexin now the hottest of any of us, and says he takes the great Alexander for his model, and goes for annexin as long as there is any country left to annex.

I have the honor to be your private envoy-bassador and faithful friend, from fifty-four forty on one side down to Cape Horn on the other.

Sir—My reply to your communication appearing in the Star of the 23d of October last, has called from you a lengthy but aqueous production which it behooves me in some measure to notice, in order that your wisdom, foresight, and tolerance may be ascertained and fully appreciated.

Then an old sailor spoke up and said: "All the crews in the world couldn't do any good now; the ship was dished and must be plumped on the rocks; her sails and spars were gone, the timbers sprung, and the hold was already half full of water."

"Well," says Captain Polk, "if wash my hands of this mischief; if the crew won't turn to and help, the ship must go ashore."

MAJOR JACK DOWNING. No. 11.—To JAMES K. POLK, President of the United States and all annexed countries. Headquarters, City of Mexico, Annexed United States October 25, 1847.

DEAR COLONEL: Things is getting along here as well as could be expected, considering the help we have, but we are altogether too weak-handed to work to profit.

"How so?" says I; "how did you begin the war in that way?" "Why," says he, "Slidell was the world, and Taylor was the blow; and not only that, but even my enemies, admit that the blow came first."

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